# Maine EMS Examination Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 19, 2001 Maine EMS Conference Room, Augusta

# **Minutes**

Present:, K. Roderick, , D. Bahr, J. Vaniotis

Absent: E. Ekholm, D. Gilman, J. LeBrun, R. Doughty

**Staff:** D. White

1. Call To Order - The meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m.

D. White reported that E. Ekholm, R. Doughty, J. LeBrun and D. Gilman had notified him that they would be unable to attend the meeting.

White also indicated that vacancies continue for an Aroostook Regional Representative and a Level III I/C Representative.

- A. Introductions None
- B. Assign Timekeeper K. Roderick
- C. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda Elimination of Practical Testing (Roderick)

# 2. Minutes – May 15, 2001, meeting minutes - review for acceptance

The minutes of the May 15, 2001, meeting were reviewed.

Motion: To accept the minutes of the May 15, 2001, meeting (Roderick; Bahr - motion carries).

# 3. Old Business

# A. Exam Administration Manual (EAM)

The Committee continued worked on the EAM appendices. Work to date was reviewed with work continuing with Appendix N at the next meeting.

All members with outstanding "homework" should be prepared to present at the next meeting.

### **B.** New Paramedic Curriculum – Exam considerations

D. White distributed copies of the new National Standard Curriculum for Paramedic to the members present.

Discussion then centered on the new American Heart Association (AHA) changes in CPR and how those changes impact the written exams at the Intermediate and Paramedic levels.

Regions have already received updated exams from the National Registry for the EMT-Basic level.

It was decided that the Intermediate and Paramedic Exams would be reviewed at the July meeting to identify necessary changes in light of the new AHA guidelines. D. Bahr suggested that exams could easily be modified by using peel and stick labels containing new answer choices/distractors.

#### 4. New Business

# A. Elimination of Practical Testing (Roderick)

K. Roderick asked that the Committee have a discussion on the validity of practical testing by the State vs. course end-testing. As there were a limited number of Committee members present, consensus was to carry over this discussion until the next meeting.

### 5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 17, 2001, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Maine EMS in Augusta.

### THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN AUGUST, 2001.

# A. Set Agenda - Next agenda to include:

- 1. Exam Administrators Manual Appendices
- 2. Paramedic and Intermediate Written Exams Review for AHA changes
- 3. Elimination of Practical Testing.
- **6.** Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Drexell White